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IN REPLY PLEASE

REFER TO FILE: **PD-5**

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**MOBILE SOURCE AIR POLLUTION REDUCTION REVIEW COMMITTEE  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT MATCH PROGRAM  
GRANT APPLICATIONS  
ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS  
3 VOTES**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Find that the Ventura Park-and-Ride Facility Rehabilitation and Maintenance and Fairplex Park-and-Ride Facility Rehabilitation and Maintenance projects are categorically exempt pursuant to Sections 15301 and 15302 of the California Environmental Quality Act guidelines.
2. Authorize the Director of Public Works, or his designee, to submit applications to the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee for partial funding, to commit to the project implementation schedule reflected in each application, and to allocate the necessary local matching funds for the following five projects:
  - Purchase of Three Heavy-Duty Alternative Fuel Vehicles for County's Southeast Area Shuttle Service
  - Ventura Park-and-Ride Facility Rehabilitation
  - Fairplex Park-and-Ride Facility Rehabilitation
  - Purchase of Eight Alternative Fuel Sweepers for Road Maintenance Division
  - Purchase of One Alternative Fuel Sweeper for Airport Operations

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee requires all applicants submitting proposals for its Local Government Match Program to include a minute action such as a Board letter from the governing board of the lead agency. The minute action must authorize the agency to file a grant application for each of the proposed projects, commit the lead agency to the project implementation schedule reflected in each application, and allocate the necessary local matching funds.

The Local Government Match Program funds will be distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis to applicants who satisfy specified project requirements. Applications will be accepted beginning on January 13, 2004.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

This action is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goals of Fiscal Responsibility, Children and Families' Well-Being, and Community Services. Successful program applicants will receive funds to partially reimburse the capital cost of the respective projects. These projects are intended to help improve air quality, reduce air pollution, and increase mobility of County residents, thereby, improving the quality of life for families living in the County.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The Local Government Match Program provides partial reimbursement for eligible projects that result in the reduction of emissions from mobile sources.

Purchase of Three Heavy-Duty Alternative Fuel Vehicles: The grant in the amount of \$60,000 will provide up to \$20,000 per vehicle to partially offset the increase capital costs for three heavy-duty alternative fuel vehicles being purchased for the County's Southeast Area Shuttle Service. These vehicles are proposed for funding in Public Works' Fiscal Year 2004-05 budget.

Ventura Park-and-Ride Facility Rehabilitation: The grant will provide \$40,000 reimbursement for Proposition A Local Transit funds used to rehabilitate this facility. Rehabilitation will promote more use of carpools and public transit and will aid Public Works in complying with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and the Standard Urban Storm Water Mitigation Plan for this facility.

Fairplex Park-and-Ride Facility Rehabilitation: The grant will provide \$50,000 reimbursement for Proposition A Local Transit funds used to rehabilitate this facility. Rehabilitation will promote more use of carpools and public transit and will aid Public Works in complying with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and the Standard Urban Storm Water Mitigation Plan for this facility.

Purchase of Eight Alternative Fuel Street Sweepers: The grants, totaling \$160,000, will provide up to \$20,000 per sweeper to partially offset the increase capital costs for eight alternatively fueled street sweepers. These sweepers are proposed for funding in Public Works' Fiscal Year 2004-05 budget.

Purchase of One Alternative Fuel Airport Sweeper: The \$20,000 grant will partially offset the increase capital costs for an alternatively fueled airport sweeper. An airport sweeper is proposed for funding in Public Works' Fiscal Year 2004-05 budget.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee requires that all applications submitted to the Local Government Match Program include an adopted minute action such as a Board letter from the governing board of the lead agency. Adoption of this Board letter will allow Public Works to apply for this grant program.

If any of the grant applications are successful, Public Works will return to the Board to accept the grant funds and to request the Board to appropriate funds for each project.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The California Environmental Quality Act requires public agency decision makers to document and consider the environmental implications of their actions.

Both the Ventura Park-and-Ride and the Fairplex Park-and-Ride Facility Rehabilitation projects are categorically exempt pursuant to Sections 15301 and 15302 of the California Environmental Quality Act guidelines.

The purchases of three heavy-duty alternative fuel vehicles for the County's Southeast Area Shuttle Service, eight alternative fuel sweepers, and one alternative fuel sweeper for airport operations are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act as the transactions do not constitute a project.

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**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The successful application for funding has no impact on current services or projects.

These grant funding opportunities will help enable Public Works to reduce emissions through the increase use of alternative fuel technology for public transit and for Public Works' maintenance equipment. The rehabilitation of the park-and-ride facilities will reduce emissions and traffic congestions by attracting more commuters toward the increase use of carpools and public transit.

**CONCLUSION**

Upon approval, please return four copies of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

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